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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

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Appl. No.: (TO BE ASSIGNED)

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Title: METHODS FOR EXTRACTION OF BIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES FROM  
NATURAL SUBSTANCES AND PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS MADE  
THEREFROM

**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants are enclosing an executed application for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO), including fifty-four (54) pages of specification, which includes ten (10) pages of claims (incorporating claims 1-78), a one (1) page abstract; and thirty-three (33) sheets of formal drawings (comprising Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33).

Applicant claims priority on the basis of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/102,912, filed October 2, 1998, U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/122,526, filed March 3, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/136,409, filed May 27, 1999 and is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/408,922 filed September 30, 1999, and a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/518,191, filed March 3, 2000.



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*Applicant is deferring the payment of filing fees and submission of an executed Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53. Accordingly, applicant are believed to be entitled to a filing date based upon the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's receipt of the attached specification. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that a filing date of May 26, 2000, be granted this application. The filing fee and executed Declaration will be timely filed.*

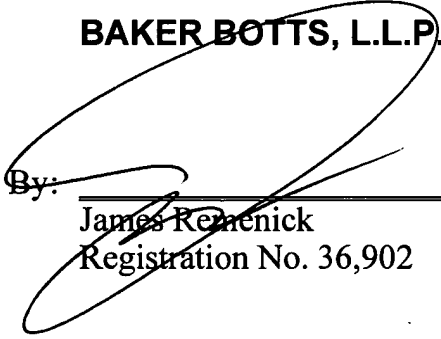
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